Bartholomew Pool Re-Design

1800 East 51st, Austin, Texas Friday, January 25, 2013



History:

2009

- Pool closed due to failure of pool structure in June of 2009
- Aquatics Division developed scope late 2009 with the goal to replace the pool

2010

- 2006 Bonds ear marked as funding source for the pool improvements, early 2010
- Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) begins initial scope process with City of Austin Contract Land Management (CMD), early 2010
- Request for Proposals issued for design and construction of three pools, Deep Eddy, West Enfield and Bartholomew Pool, mid 2010
- Design Build Contract awarded to Chasco Constructors based on procedures established by CMD including complete development of scope and design criteria for each pool facility
- October 18, 2010 Notice to proceed issued by PARD to Chasco Constructors for design work on Deep Eddy, West Enfield and Bartholomew Pool
- First public input meeting held on November 18, 2010 at University Hills Library, 4721 Loyola Lane, Austin, Texas
- Second public input meeting held on December 14, 2010 at University Hills Library, 4721 Loyola Lane, Austin, Texas

2011

- Third public input meeting held on January 11, 2011 at University Hills Library, 4721 Loyola Lane, Austin, Texas
- May 31, 2011 Schematic Designs completed, includes approvals from City of Austin Boards and Commissions as required for permitting purposes
- June 2011, development of Construction Drawings (CD's) begin including permitting process

2012

- January 31, 2012 CD's completed, Construction Conformance Set issued for bidding to Chasco Constructors
- March 22, 2012 Request for Council Action submitted and approved by Council for utilizing allocated funds to construct Bartholomew Pool
- Late May 2012, final Guaranteed Maximum Proposal issued by Chasco itemizing the construction cost for Bartholomew Pool
- June through August 2012, Chasco, PARD and CMD finalize and approve GMP for construction cost
- September 2012, Notice to Proceed for construction issued to Chasco Constructors, demolition of existing facility begins
- October 2012, Asbestos found on site, removal remediation begins
- November 2012, ground water found on site, City of Austin Watershed Protection Department engaged to determine source and quality of water

- November 2012, based on site conditions Geotechnical Engineer of record provided Chasco and the PARD and City of Austin Public Works Department (PWD) construction recommendations to address effects of the existing ground water on proposed building structures and pools
- December 2012, based on the increased cost projected to address the ground water, PARD and PWD determine that a third party review of the recommendations be initiated

2013

 January 2013, through engineering rotation list, third party geotechnical engineering firm acquired to study existing conditions and provide input on recommendations received by original geotechnical report.

The Situation and Impact:

The third party review of the recommendations provided by the geotechnical engineer of record will provide the City of Austin with a balanced fiscal and construction mitigation direction that will address the existing water on site. Upon receipt of the third party review, PARD and PWD will work towards a defined and balanced approach to mitigate the current site conditions. This delay in continuing the construction activities will result in postponement of the original June 2013 opening date to spring of 2014.

It remains the intent of the Parks Department to continue construction activities for completion of Bartholomew Pool. PARD stands firm in providing an operable long term facility to the community at large.

Action Plan:

PARD and PWD will initiate a thorough review of the findings generated by the third party geotechnical review firm to implement a mitigation plan that addresses fiscal and construction considerations. The duration of this process is scheduled for approximately two (2) weeks.